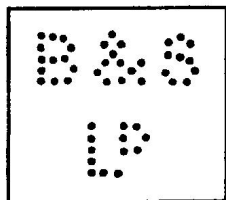


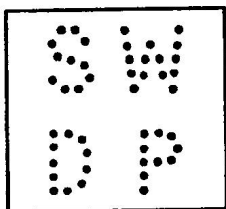
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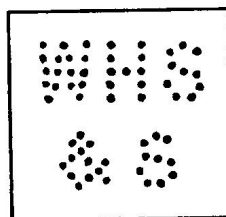
Roy Gault, the perfin catalogue editor, has seen the perfins shown in the last issue of *Railway Philately* as well as the examples on the next page. He has been able to confirm the identity of two of them and supply some extra details of others



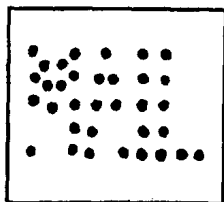
The die producing 'B&S/Ld' on two different railway companies parcel stamps, of which one was cancelled 'DERBY', is confirmed as being used by Bemrose & Sons Ltd, Midland Place, Derby. (Cat.No.B6730.01)



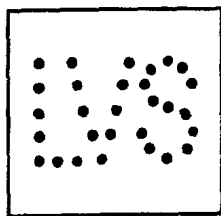
This is a rare die which has just been reported to the Perfin Society having been seen on a QV Jubilee ½d vermilion stamp postmarked Swansea, 19 AP 1899. User unknown (Cat.No.S8087.01)



Although this die was long lived (1885-1939) and is thought to have been used by W H Smith & Sons, the Perfin Society has not seen an example on a piece or cover to confirm this identity. (Cat.No.W3890.01)



Another rare die with only one other example known on a QV 1d red (pl. 191) postmarked Cardiff. All the holes are present on the 1d red except the one missing in the leg of the 'A'. It is possible that 'MAIL' was used by Western Mail (& South Wales News) of Cardiff. (Cat. No. M0220.01)



This is a very rare perfin, user unknown, and has not been recorded on a postage stamp. (Cat. No. L5700.01)



This is a parcel stamp of the Midland & Great Western Railway in Ireland which is illustrated and listed in Ewen's 1906 catalogue. The stamp shows the security perforation 'M/GWR' of the railway company and Ewen lists it as being issued with this perfin. This rare perfin is catalogued by the Perfin Society as M2775.01 and is only known on this railway parcel stamp.